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Academic Senate Minutes
(Not Approved by the Academic Senate)

November 3, 1976

Volume VIII, No. 6

Call to Order

Chairperson Ira Cohen called the meeting of the Academic Senate to order at 7:00 p.m. in Stevenson 401.

Roll Call

The Secretary called the roll and declared a quorum to be present.

Approval of Minutes

VIII, 29 A motion (Bown/Merriman) to approve the minutes of October 20, 1976 as distributed was carried.

Chairperson's Remarks

Chairperson Cohen said that from now on formal motions to close debate at Senate Meetings should be made instead of calling the question. This should prevent any confusion.

Administrators' Remarks

Provost Horner expressed regrets for President Budig's absence from the meeting. Provost Horner also said that the Board of Regents staff is considering the possibility of Regency Universities getting away from the formal contract system. Instead, they would go to a system whereby continuing and temporary faculty are notified of changes in status and salary but would not receive formal contracts as they do now. Provost Horner does not think that faculty members will see any need for Senate action on this.

Student Association President's Remarks

There were none.

Professional and Technical Staff Council's Remarks

Mr. Christ Schwelle reported that the Professional and Technical Staff Council represents approximately 140 professional University employees who serve in such positions as counselors and administrators at the University.

ACTION ITEMS:

Office Administration Minor

Mr. George Gordon introduced the Office Administration Minor for the Academic Affairs Committee, which unanimously recommends approval. Mr. Gordon said that the Office Administration minor will be offered in the Department of Business Education and Administrative Services and was proposed by Dr. Warren Perry, chairperson of Business Education and Administrative Services.

- VIII, 30 It is a non-teaching minor. Mr. Bown said this minor is likely to draw people to ISU rather than junior colleges. A motion (Gordon/Quane) to approve the Office Administration minor carried.

Committee Appointments

- VIII, 31 A motion was made (Law/Frisch) to approve the committee appointments to Honors Council and SCERB Hearing Panel. The motion passed. (See appendix).

INFORMATION ITEM:

Forum

- VIII, 32 A motion (Searight/Hicklin) carried to move to a committee of the whole house, chaired by Steve Carroll, for a period not to exceed one hour, for the purpose of receiving information about the Forum Committee. (See appendix for the memorandum of the committee of the whole house).

Committee Reports

Academic Affairs -- Dr. Sigmund Smith, Executive Director of AACMU, met with the Academic Affairs Committee at its Monday, November 1st meeting. Dr. Smith's organization seeks to sponsor things that have to do with more than one University. He is now seeking ideas for grant proposals that would involve more than one university. If you have any ideas, communicate them to the Academic Affairs Committee.

Administrative Affairs Committee -- The Administrative Affairs Committee is discussing Dean Evaluations.

Executive Committee -- no report

Faculty Affairs Committee -- no report

JUAC -- At their October 28th meeting, the Board of Regents met as a committee of the whole in an information session to discuss collective bargaining. Three outside groups reported at this meeting, AAUP, IAHE, and COOP. The Board will further discuss collective bargaining in a future meeting. Provost Horner added that faculty organization is prevalent throughout the country. An extensive bibliography is being accumulated on faculty organization with the cooperation of Joe Kraus.

Rules Committee -- Mr. Christiansen asked why student appointments to committees have been delayed. Mr. Law said that not many applications have come in yet, so they decided to wait. However, by the next Senate meeting there may be several committee appointments.

Student Affairs Committee -- no report

Communications

There were none.

Adjournment

- VIII, 33 A motion (Quane/Weseman) to adjourn was approved. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

For the Academic Senate,

Ira Cohen, Chairperson
John K. Boaz, Secretary

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Appendix

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Honors Council

1977 Richard Dammers (English)
1977 Michael Sublett (Geography/Geology)
1978 Jacqueline Karch (HEIT)
Alternate: Niles Holt (History)

SCERB Hearing Panel: Presidential appointments

(one appointment for a 1-year term)
David Holden (English)
J. Merle Howard (C&I)

(three appointments for a 2-year term)
Robert Metcalf (HPERD)
Ron Cook (Chemistry)
James Coe (C&I)
Edward Waage (Chemistry)
A. J. Bjork (C&I)
Roger Weller (HPERD)

Appendix

MEMORANDUM OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, November 3, 1976

The Forum Committee was discussed in a Committee of the Whole House, chaired by Steve Carroll. The session gave senators an opportunity to hear viewpoints from and to question various parties to the controversy surrounding Forum.

Mr. Rhodes said that in his memoranda of July 21, 1976, and October 27, 1976, he was trying to explain why he did what he did in a particular order. He had felt it inappropriate to comment until the Ad Hoc Investigating Committee of the Senate finished its work, and he had felt it appropriate to speak first to the Senate rather than the Vidette. There had been various reports in the news media that he felt misrepresented his views, especially when those reports referred to "Senate power plays." The Executive Committee had expressed its approval of his issuing the memos.

Mr. Gamsky said that his report on the Status of Forum Committee was not representative of his opinion, but rather quotations from other people. He wrote the report to illustrate the diversity of opinion and feeling behind the opinions. Only the comments in the final paragraphs express his own opinions. Mr. Gamsky commented on the concept of user fees and why the Senate should be concerned with them. It is a quasi academic issue if user fees possibly prevent the class support function of Forum. Some of the Forum Committee members and others thought the idea of user fees would have a negative impact on the Forum, because professors use the Forum as extensions of classroom activities and students are required to attend.

Mr. Carroll then invited comments from past and present members of the Forum Committee. Mr. Firestone, who recently resigned from the Forum Committee, said he would like to speak about the difficulties that came up in Forum involving internal operations and fees. Forum, contrary to its charter from the Senate, moved to offering programs not in its purview. The programs must have intellectual content. Several faculty members were stunned at the Forum's proposals for programs and sought to have the programs removed, but the students said they would throw the faculty members off the committee, although the Senate chose faculty members for the committee. Mr. Firestone also said that financial information was withheld from members of Forum, although some data was forthcoming after the investigation of the Senate. On the concept of user fees, Firestone said that it is the individuals that pay for it that benefit, and there is no oversupply. He is generally sympathetic with the user fee concept, except with Forum the advantage accrues more broadly than to those only who attend, and user fees discriminate on a basis of ability to pay. It would be inappropriate to charge for an educational function. Forum is one of the few extra-curricular programs with academic value. Mr. Firestone then commented on the reasons behind his and Dr. Haddad's resignation from Forum. Mr. Firestone said the series of difficulties had not been resolved, and he had hoped the Senate would take action, which it did not. The entire matter was consuming too much time. Mr. Firestone disagreed with the proposing of a budget for the committee by its chairperson without the committee's approval. The budget was increased from \$24 thousand to \$42 thousand. The Fee Board, upon seeing Bianca Urbanski's request for this increase, had thoughts about the issue, and this precipitated the Fee Board's request that Forum charge admission. Most of the members were surprised that recommendations had been made before the Fee Board. Then there was a

vote of 8-1 not to charge the fees. If this matter had come before the Fee Board, the Committee would have recommended continuance of the earlier budget of \$24 thousand. A student member is resigning from Forum, too.

Brian Bown asked Mr. Throckmorton if all the money left in the programming budget at the end of the last fiscal year was used on the Rites of Spring. Mr. Throckmorton answered that the Rites of Spring were not paid for from the Programming budget, but from various committees. Mr. Throckmorton also commented on clerical errors in the budget. The \$1,000 is still in the budget, although, through a clerical error, it appeared that the budget was short \$1,000. There were no fiscal errors found by the internal auditors of the University. Mr. Firestone said the Senate should be able to see copies of expenditures of the Forum Committee. Mr. Tarrant said that any committee ought to have a treasurer involved in the committee to prevent this problem from occurring all over campus. Mr. Carlile underscored a finding contained in the October 21 Final Report of the Ad Hoc Investigatory Committee: "There is no substantive evidence of any misuse of student fees in the University Forum Committee."

Bianca Urbanski, chairperson of the Forum Committee, spoke next. Ms. Urbanski agreed that she and the Treasurer, with advice from the fiscal agent, had put together the Forum budget. Ms. Urbanski felt the two faculty members resigned because of consideration of Henry Winkler's (the Fonz) appearing at ISU on a Forum program. However, she said the Committee did show an interest in bringing Henry Winkler to Campus. He is well educated, a Yale graduate, and has been in sixty plays. She said there was no need for anyone to question Forum's programmatic decisions. Ms. Frisch asked what criterion the Forum Committee uses in selecting programs. Ms. Urbanski said the Forum programs should bring enlightenment to the campus, and should involve education and entertainment. She said the programs are examined by the committee for the enrichment that the program brings to campus. At this point, Mr. Gordon read from Senate By Laws (see p. 19) the functions of the Forum Committee. Ms. Urbanski spoke further about the budget and expenditures. She said that in creating the budget, she examined what the expenditures were for the previous year, then decided that additional programming was needed. Also, the costs of programs are going up. At the time the budget goes in, there are no contractual plans made. Ms. Urbanski said that the average attendance at a Forum program is 2,000 people, and of this number, only about one hundred to two hundred are townspeople. Some of the lectures are required for classes, but not through Forum's initiative. Forum sends out letters to faculty members, and if they want to require the lecture for their students, they can. Ms. Upton asked if there was a policy on the number of committee members needed to be present at meetings to make decisions. Ms. Urbanski said that there must be at least six members present. This is the first year the Committee has worked under a Constitution. Mr. Hicklin asked Ms. Urbanski if she thought the Forum could serve the educational interests of the students better if Forum were disassociated from any Senate connections. Ms. Urbanski stated that there is no reason for Forum to be under the Senate. Forum's origin came from the Senate, but all the programming committees have grown to such an extent that they need to become autonomous. The Senate is a policy group and Forum is a programming group.

Mr. Gordon said that one concern of his is that the Forum has come to be regarded as a programming committee, it has been thought of as a programming committee, and it is now exactly that. Programming has come to mean bringing

in almost any kind of famous person, and simply bringing in famous people is at odds with the purpose of the Committee. There is a disrespect for procedure in Forum. The Committee ought to have good leadership, and ought not to act at the discretion of one or two members. The issue seems to be that either the Forum should be autonomous or under Senate control.

Mr. Hicklin stated that it seemed funny that the Senate should all of a sudden be receiving all kinds of information on Forum that previously had been "top secret" until pressure and heat were put on the administrators. Mr. Gamsky said that none of this information was secret to his knowledge. This issue was brought to the Senate for four reasons: (1) A number of senators had raised questions about this issue and asked to have it brought to their attention; (2) There are some possible educational issues in this matter. The Senate should have the opportunity to discuss this and make its voice known; (3) The Senate was already involved with the appointment of the Ad Hoc Committee. We wanted to get some resolution of the issues, and (3) It would help form a better administrative decision. Mr. Carlile said that the Forum now has no money to work with, so it cannot operate. The decision to freeze funds rests with Mr. Gamsky.

A motion (Gordon/Frisch) to extend the one-hour time limit for discussion was approved.

Ms. Cattell brought up the matter of Forum's Constitution. She asked Lance Carlile why the Ad Hoc Committee's Report stated that Forum ought to submit a Constitution to the Senate for approval if Forum has already adopted a Constitution. Mr. Carlile responded that the present Constitution ought to be revised as specified in the Report. Mr. Carlile stated that the purpose of the Ad Hoc Investigatory Committee was to strengthen the lines of communication between external committees and the Senate and to provide the Senate with information. Ms. Cattell observed that if the Ad Hoc Committee's recommendations were carried out, it would seem to provide the Senate with information and Forum with latitude.

Mr. Firestone said that Ms. Urbanski came to one of the Forum Committee meetings and asked that the Committee members approve the Constitution that same night. No one had seen it in advance. Mr. Firestone suggested that at least a few days to look it over were needed and that everyone should have a copy of the Constitution. Finally, the Committee decided to postpone the decision of adopting the new Constitution until a later meeting. When officers were to be elected, only six out of ten committee members were notified in advance, and the four that were not told were faculty members. Mr. Firestone said he felt it was optimistic to think that Forum's difficulties would be resolved by the adoption of a Constitution. Mr. Firestone said that in his letter of resignation to the Senate, he stated that the Forum Committee members ought to know what type of meetings are to be held. Also the fiscal agent ought to see to it that funds are spent in an appropriate fashion. Financial information was withheld from the Committee. On no occasion were Committee members given a financial report. The Constitution never came before the Rules Committee because it got bogged down in the whole process.

Mr. Gordon said that we should not be concerned merely with procedure, but with substantive questions of what Forum is supposed to do. Both the Forum and the Senate will be concerned with definitions along this line.

User fees were discussed in more detail. Mr. Carlile said he believes in the user fee concept. It is the best way to stretch the student fee dollars. He didn't think it was appropriate for the Forum Committee, however, because the purpose of the Forum Committee is educational. Members of the Forum Committee have held this viewpoint, too. He stated that if student fees support Forum, we can't have students throwing in more money. Mr. Quane expressed agreement with Mr. Carlile because he said the money is already available for Forum. Mr. Cohen said having user fees necessitates having crowd pleasers such as Henry Winkler appear on the Forum.

Mr. Throckmorton said that according to the Handbook, each committee with student fees involved, will have a treasurer and the records will be available for review at all times. The difference between these three committees (Forum Committee, Entertainment Committee, and University Union Board) and other committees of the Senate is that these are programmatic committees by nature. Students come to ISU for an education, and this is what Forum works for.

A motion (Gordon/Moonan) to return from the Committee of the Whole to the regular meeting was approved.

- VIII, 20 for this major. A student would receive quite adequate training in basic economics in the minor program to qualify him for a very good job in teaching consumer education in the public schools. Ms. Upton said that home economics students are advised to take economics. Dean Harrison said that the Department of Business feels a close kinship to the Department of Economics. There is no specific requirement for Economics in state legislation. An amendment (Hickrod/Weseman) to "require" Economics 100 and 101 in the Consumer Education minor rather than "recommend" them was made. Ms. Upton said that maybe we must just assume that students have enough sense to take courses that they will need for the requirements of a minor. Another motion (Bown/Carroll) to table the main question until the Senate obtained further information was defeated. Mr. Hicklin said that in light of the movements in the state to increase the requirements of the teachers, we could make this requirement of Economics a positive thing in terms of public relations. Ms. Upton said that, in general, Home Economics majors take Economics 100 and 101 even without its being required. Mr. Hickrod said that students should have a course in the fundamental disciplines the minor is drawing from. Dean Harrison said the Economics courses would overload the minor with too many hours. Economics is desirable, but it is excessive. Business would agree to "recommend" Economics as University general studies. A motion (Parr/Hickrod) to close debate and move to a vote on substituting the word "recommend" with "require" in the amendment to the proposal was made and carried. A roll call vote was taken, and the Hickrod/Weseman amendment failed (4-30-5). An amendment (Frisch/Weseman) to require that students enrolled in this minor complete ECO 100 and 101 was made. By doing this, George Gordon said that a precedent would be started in adding additional hours to a minor; in this case, six hours would be added to the original Consumer Education minor. Discussion followed on recommitting the proposal to the Academic Affairs Committee, but was decided that the proposal had already been through some committees twice, and there would be no need for this. A motion (Cattell/Searight) to close debate and vote on the previous question was made and carried. A roll call vote on the Frisch/Weseman amendment was taken and the motion failed (12-22-2). Mr. Parr said his committee would accept the word "strongly" recommend in the amendment. A motion (Tarrant/Keeney) to put in the word "strongly" before "recommend" was made. Dr. McCarney agreed to go along with this. A motion (Upton/Campagna) to close debate and move to a vote on putting the word "strongly" before "recommend" was made and carried. The Tarrant/Keeney motion failed. A motion (Collie/Frisch) to close debate on the main motion was made and carried. On a roll call vote (30-8), the Senate approved the Consumer Education minor as given to the Senate by the Academic Affairs Committee and with the following statement to be incorporated in the catalog description: "It is recommended that students enrolled in this minor complete ECO 100 and 101 as part of University studies or general electives."

INFORMATION ITEM:

Office Administration Minor

The minor in Office Administration is proposed to be offered in the Department of Business Education and Administrative Services. This minor has been approved by the University Curriculum Committee; it must still be approved by the Academic Senate and the Board of Regents. This is a non-teaching minor and requires 24 hours in Business courses. Warren Perry indicated that projections for a full faculty position by 1981-1982 have been made. Wilma Jean Alexander said that students majoring in other (non-teaching) fields and having Office Administration as a minor would have a wide range of opportunities in the job market. She said that sometimes the only way

NAME	ATTEN-DANCE	VOTE							VOICE VOTE	
		Motion # 19	Motion # 20	Motion # 23	Motion #	Motion #	Motion #	Motion #	Motion No.	
Amster	P	Yes	No	No					16	X
Boaz	P	Yes	No	No					17	X
Bown	P								18	X
Campagna	P	No	Yes	Yes					19 Roll	Call
Cardot	P								20 Roll	Call
Carlile	P	Yes	No	Yes					21	X
Carroll	P	Yes	No	No					22	X
Cattell	P	Yes	No	No					23 Roll	Call
Christiansen	P	Yes	No	No					24	X
Cohen	A Exc.								25	X
Collie	P	Yes	No	No					26	X
Cook	P	Yes	No	No					27	X
DeGrandpre	P									
DePew	P									
Erickson	P	Yes	No	No						
Frisch	P	No	No	Yes						
Gordon	P	Yes	Pres.	No						
Heflin	P		No							
Henry	A									
Hicklin	P	Yes	No	No						
Hick	P	Yes	Yes	Yes						
Jackson	P	Yes	No	Pres.						
Jesse	P	Yes	No	No						
Keeney	P	No	No	Yes						
Law	P	No	Yes	Yes						
Lohr	P	No	No	Yes						
McMahan	P	Yes	No	No						
Merriman	P	Yes	Pres.	Yes						
Moonan	P	Yes	No	No						
Mullen	P									
Natale	P									
Parr	P	Yes	No	No						
Phillips	P	Yes	Yes	Yes						
Potter	P	Yes	No	No						
Quane	P	Yes	No	No						
Reitan	P									
Rhodes	P	No	No	No						
Searight	P	Yes	No	No						
Smith	P	Yes	No	No						
Tarrant	P	Yes	No	No						
Upton	P	Yes	No	No						
Vybiral	A Exc.									
Weseman	P	Yes	No	Yes						
Wile	P	No	Pres	Yes						
Young	P	No	Pres	Yes						
Tuggle	A Exc.									
Gamsky	P	Yes	Pres.	Pres.						
Morris	P	Yes	No	No						
Horner	P	Yes	No							
Budig	P	Yes	No							